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Residential Specialty Classifications: Foundations

Effective on January 20, 2016, the LSLBC promulgated a rule adding six new specialty classifications required for those residential subcontractors who bid or perform work that exceeds \$7,500.00, including labor and materials, on any single family residential home, duplex, triplex or fourplex that is not more than three floors in height. The new specialty classifications are: residential pile driving, residential framing, residential roofing, residential masonry/stucco, residential swimming pools, and residential foundations.

Considering the numerous parts that make up a foundation of a home and in order to clarify the Board's position as to who exactly would need to be licensed, LSLBC reiterates that any subcontractor hired to oversee the construction of a residential foundation that exceeds \$7,500.00, including labor and material, would need to be licensed. In addition, the following scopes of work in excess of \$7,500.00 would require licensure:

- **Forming**
- **Steel Reinforcement Placement**
- **Concrete Placement and Finishing**

Companies requesting these specialty licenses must complete a residential application for licensure; pass both the open book Business and Law and the specialty trade exam; and provide proof of general liability and workers' compensation insurance coverage.

A subcontractor who works under the direct supervision of a licensed residential building contractor may obtain a subcontract labor-only license. Trade examination may be exempted by the board if all other licensing requirements have been met:

- **Complete and submit a residential application**
- **Submit an affidavit (form is on our website) executed by a licensed residential building contractor that attests to the subcontractor's quality of work and character**
- **Pass the open book Business and Law exam**
- **Providing proof of current General Liability and Workers' Compensation Insurance**

Residential subcontractors interested in the new specialty classification(s) can complete the residential application, learn about the fees, and find additional information on our website by visiting www.lslbc.louisiana.gov.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact us (225) 765-2301 or e-mail us at info@lslbc.louisiana.gov.

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